

Westport Youth Commission Meeting  
Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 7:15pm  
Room 201/201A

**I. 7:15pm-7:20pm: Approval of the Minutes**

Everyone approved the minutes.

**II. 7:20pm-7:45pm: What's Up/ Public Input**

- Spotted Horse, 323, Bobby Qs, Bar Taco maybe. Joe's pizza. Ben is setting up a time to meet with the merchant's association.
- Lilly had a great time in Nicaragua on her service trip.
- Inklings positions came out.
- Sent off grant application for Police Youth Collaborative Effort. Working on getting Spike-a-Cop going.
- Internships are coming up.
- On Monday, the Westport Library is putting out ideas of what they want the library to come. Josiah said someone from our committee should come. It's at 7pm.
- SafeRides picked their board, and are excited. 7 new members. Starting to have a training in Winter as of next year.
- Distracted driving month. Police get a grant and pull over most people this month than any other month.
- Stewart McCarthy is stepping down from Parks and Recreation. He did an amazing job.
- We still don't have a principle for SHS next year. Might be an interim.
- Toquet Hall has a concert tomorrow night that's been known to be popular. 63 tickets already pre-sale.
- Orphenians are singing the National Anthem at June 23 Yankees game
- One Acts are this weekend! Get tickets.
- Staples Robotics are at National Competition.
- Maker Faire. Boy Scouts will be there.

**III. 7:45pm-7:55pm: Advocacy Group Report**

**a. Peer Education & Awareness**

- Kait made a really good on-the-go poster. Figuring out the merchandise for spike-a-cop. Details are all set; Reece and Kieran and doing posters, and we're getting a spot on the morning show, and having a table for the next two weeks.

**b. Town Improvements**

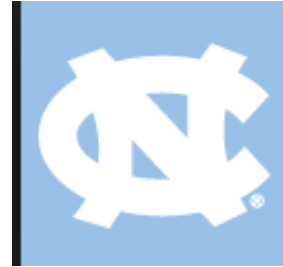
- Two main priorities – student discounts and cross walks. Petition for cross walks, goal is to get as many signatures as they can. We have to redo the logo for student discounts because there is one just like it. Planning on going to the downtown merchants association to express to them what our plan is with student discounts and how we want it at certain times so we can have more of a community amongst students downtown. Planning on doing the same thing with the Saugatuck's merchant association. Saugatuck sweets guy (Al) will probably advocate with us a lot. Number

goal for signatures for cross walks. Need to get signatures from adults around the area that has the need for cross walks.

- Bacharach Award – nominate people. It's on the town website and it's an award we give out for

#### **IV. 7:55pm-8:15pm: Collaboration Time Break Out (4 Groups)**

- Group 1:
- For t-shirt: white on Carolina blue.
- For wristbands, neon orange, neon yellow, green, purple, royal blue, red, teal, neon
- Maybe go-pro attached to a ball for our video morning show. "We came to smash" song in background.
- Boys volleyball referee?
- Group 3:
- Carolina blue for shirts! SafeRides. How people sign up and don't dedicate themselves to it. Brainstormed ideas to make that more focused on getting people to work on it more and have incentive
- Skate Park is going to be saved!!! Parks & Rec voted on things that were in Compo plan, walk way is in, bathrooms on South beach is in, delay entrance way, figure out how to put parking as close to the beach anyway. Not getting rid of skate park, need to get funding to fix it up. Last time it was built, it was privately funded. Town will do infrastructure, and then private funders will do the rest.
- Group 2:
- Carolina blue for shirts. Neon for bracelets.
- For town improvements, contacting Mathew Mandell, in the merchants associations.
- Refs/coaches are volleyball team players.
- We need a logo for WYC with colors. Sunset, downtown bridge.



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#### **V. 8:15pm-8:30pm: Advocacy Group Break Out**

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